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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	§	Attorney Docket No.: Muller-17
Peter Finsmans and Christina Diblitz	§	
Serial No.: 09/509,400	§	
Filing Date: June 19, 2000	§	Art Unit No.: 1713
For: <i>Aluminium Acetoacetate Compounds,</i>	§	
<i>the Production and Use Thereof as</i>	§	
<i>Printing Ink Additives</i>	§	Examiner: Margaret Medley

### AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2001, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

#### In the Specification

Please add the new Abstract attached hereto on a separate page.

#### In the Claims

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add new claims, 23-26:

#### NEWLY ADDED CLAIMS

23. (New) A composition comprising:
- (A) one or more aluminium compounds with three ligands per aluminium atom of the following kind:

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